### **NONPROVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION**

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# MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is the nonprovisional patent application

For (Title):

METHOD OF PRODUCTION, METHOD OF INSPECTION, AND METHOD OF USE OF

SCANNING PROBE MICROSCOPE PROBE

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| $\boxtimes$     | Formal drawings (Figs. <u>1a-12b;</u> 7 sheets) are attached. |  |  |  |  |
| _               |   | for front page of Publication.   |  |  |  |
| $\boxtimes$     |   | nd Power of Attorney is filed herewith.  |  |  |  |
| $\sqcup$        |   | claims benefit of Provisional Application No filed   |  |  |  |
|                 |   | Amendment is attached to reflect this claim in the Specification if not already present.)                      |  |  |  |
| $\boxtimes$     |   | ication is assigned to TOYOTA JIDOSHA KABUSHIKI KAISHA.  |  |  |  |
|                 |   | ed Assignment is filed herewith.   |  |  |  |
|                 | An Information  | Disclosure Statement is filed herewith.  |  |  |  |
|                 | Entitlement to si   | nall entity status is hereby asserted.   |  |  |  |
| $\boxtimes$     | A Preliminary A   | mendment is filed herewith.  |  |  |  |
| $\boxtimes$     |   | gn application No. <u>2003-060157</u> filed <u>March 6, 2003</u> in <u>Japan</u> is claimed (35 U.S.C. §119).  |  |  |  |
|                 | A certified   | copy of the above corresponding foreign application is filed herewith.   |  |  |  |
|                 | This application  | is NOT to be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b). The undersigned attorney or agent hereby certifies that         |  |  |  |
|                 | the invention dis   | sclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or |  |  |  |
|                 | under a multilate   | eral international agreement, that requires publication of applications 18 months after filing.                |  |  |  |
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|---------------------------------------|-----------|------------|--|--|--|
| BASIC FEE                             |           | April 1995 |  |  |  |
| TOTAL CLAIMS                          | 17 - 20   | = 0 *      |  |  |  |
| INDEP CLAIMS                          | 2 - 3     | = 0*       |  |  |  |
| ☐ MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED |           |            |  |  |  |

<sup>\*</sup> If the difference is less than zero, enter "0".

| SMALL ENTITY                   |        |           |  |  |  |
|--------------------------------|--------|-----------|--|--|--|
| RATE                           | FEE    | <u>OR</u> |  |  |  |
| 100                            | \$ 385 | <u>OR</u> |  |  |  |
| x 9=                           | \$     | <u>OR</u> |  |  |  |
| x 43 =                         | \$     | <u>OR</u> |  |  |  |
| + 145 =                        | \$     | <u>OR</u> |  |  |  |
| TOTAL                          | \$     | <u>OR</u> |  |  |  |
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### OTHER THAN A **SMALL ENTITY**

| RATE  | FEE    |  |
|-------|--------|--|
| 04.   | \$ 770 |  |
| x 18  | \$     |  |
| x 86  | \$     |  |
| + 290 | \$     |  |
| TOTAL | \$ 770 |  |

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